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Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of THIRTY-THREE (33) pages
- SEVEN (7) sheet(s) formal drawings
- An assignment of the invention
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- Applicant does not claim priority

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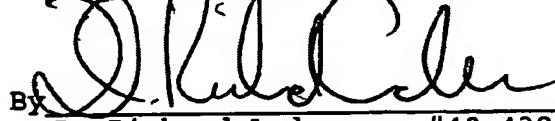
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